Docket No. 117622-00105



GAU: 3736

In re application of: Michael Smith, et al.

Serial No: 10/759,130 Confirmation No. 6639 Examiner: UNASSIGNED Filed: January 20, 2004 For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MEASURING PERIPHERAL VASCULAR FUNCTION

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

	R	F	F	E	R	E	N	C	ES
--	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----

REFE	The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
	A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).
REL/	ATED CASES
	Attached is a copy of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. These documents are listed on form PTO-1449, also attached.
	A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).
CER	rification
	Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited for the first time in any communication from a foreign patent office in any counterpart foreign application not more than
	three months prior to the filing of this statement.
	No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited for the first time in

### any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the subject patent application.

 $\boxtimes$ This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

#### **PETITION**

Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(i)(1).

#### **DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Blank Rome LLP 600 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20037

Tel: (202) 772-5800 Fax (202) 572-8398 Customer No.: 27557

Date: March 2, 2005

Respectfully, submitted,

Victor M. Wigman Attorney of Becord

Registration No. 25,201

PTO/SB/08a

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

Sheet

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

of

Complete if Known					
Application Number	10/759,130				
Filing Date	January 20, 2004				
First Named Inventor	Michael Smith, et al.				
Art Unit	3736				
Examiner Name	Unassigned				
Attorney Docket Number	117622-00105				

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2 (if known)</sup>	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear			
		US-4,548,211	10-22-85	Marks				
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-			to the second se			
		US-						
		US-	, i					
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3-</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T⁵	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
			j

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.